



SOUTHERN SHORES TOWN CODE

NOTICE: NO SWIMMING IN OCEAN WHEN RED FLAGS ARE FLYING:

CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE II. BEACH AND WATERWAY USAGE Sec. 10-15, Swimming prohibited during dangerous conditions.

(a) During certain periods of time, as a result of a combination of environmental conditions, dangerous riptides and undercurrents occur in the ocean surf making ocean conditions unsafe for swimmers. When a determination is made that conditions are unsafe for swimmers in the Atlantic Ocean, the Town may prohibit all swimming until such time as it is determined that the unsafe conditions have abated. During such periods notice is given to the public by announcement on the local radio stations and by the posting of red no swimming flags on the public accesses to the Atlantic Ocean. At such time swimming in the Atlantic Ocean shall be unlawful. The Town shall make the determination of whether or not ocean conditions are safe based upon observations of the effects of winds, tides, storm conditions and other environmental conditions affecting the surf in the Atlantic Ocean. They shall also take into consideration weather reports of existing storms in the Atlantic Ocean and the proximity of those storms to the beaches of the town, and the effect thereof.

(b) "Swimming," as used in this section, is defined to mean and include any entry into the water of the Atlantic Ocean whether or not assisted by a raft, float, or other aid or device commonly used, but shall not include any entry assisted by a "surfboard" as defined in this section. "Surfboard" as used in this section shall be defined as a fiberglass and foam combination at least (5) feet in length, having a minimum of one (1) fin and used in conjunction with a leash.

**VIOLATION OF NO SWIMMING LAW
SHALL BE A CLASS 3 MISDEMEANOR PUNISHABLE
WITH A FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500.00**

(c) The owner of any residential dwelling (including but not limited to condominiums, townhouses, time shares and cottages), offered for rent within the Town limits shall post and prominently display this notice setting forth the prohibitions in paragraph (a) and (b) above, and it shall be a violation of this section for the owner to fail or refuse to post this notice and display it prominently within each rental unit or dwelling offered for rent. [FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$500.00 FOR FAILURE TO POST THIS NOTICE.]